

## SHABBAT SCHEDULE

5:04pm Shabbat Candle Lighting

### Friday Night

5:10pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Dvar Torah given by **Rabbi Shaul Robinson**.

### Shabbat Morning

7:45am Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by a shiur given by **Rabbi Moshe Sokolow**

8:30am Parsha Shiur given by **Rabbinic Intern, Zac Schwartz** on "Secrets From The Mishkan: How Kosher Is The Kosher Switch?"

9:00am Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Drasha given by **Rabbi Shaul Robinson** followed by Musaf

9:15am Beginners Service led by **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in Rm LL201

9:33am Latest Shema

9:45am Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash

10:00am Youth Groups for children ages 2-12

11:00am "Baby & Me" (ages 0-24 months, 3rd floor gym)

### Shabbat Afternoon

12:00pm Shabbat in the Square—welcome to those joining!

Pre-registration required. Location: Pre-function room

3:00pm Herb Weiss Bikur Cholim Society:  
Meets in the Shele Danishefsky Covlin Foyer to visit patients at Mount Sinai West. (New volunteers needed and welcome)

3:35pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with **Moshe Sheinwexler** in the Belfer Beit Midrash

4:00pm Women's Tefillah Group (Belfer Beit Midrash)

4:05pm Samson Raphael Hirsch Bible Class with **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in Rm 211

4:05pm Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shabbat Pre-Mincha Shiur in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary given by **Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld** on "Pirkei Avot, pt. 5"

4:50pm Mincha/Seudah Shlishit. Dvar Torah given by **Barbara Ribakove** on "Ethiopian Jewry in 2019 - Why They Still Need Us"

6:06pm Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends

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**Hashkama Kiddush:** Margy and Perry Davis in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Perry's Father, Yaakov ben Peretz Yosef HaCohen z"l.

**Main Kiddush:** Martin Koenig in commemoration of the yahrtzeits of his father, Yaakov Yoseph ben Nisan z"l (Julius J. Koenig), and his mother, Chaya bat Shalom Tzvi z"l (Adele C. Koenig).

### Beginners Kiddush:

**Yedidya Flaquer** in honor of the birth of his nephew, Eliahu, born to his sister and brother-in-law, Shoshanah and Daniel Zayas.

**Fei Lu Wang and Roger Wu** to celebrate the Chinese New Year.

### Seudah Shlishit:

**Shari and Joseph Sonnenberg** in commemoration of the yahrtzeits of Shari's father, Siegfried Stern, Shmuel ben Shlomo z"l, and Shari's mother, Miriam Stern, Miriam bat Leib Mendel a"h.

**Judy and Cyrus Abbe** in honor of Barbara Ribakove for her extraordinary accomplishments in supporting and rescuing Ethiopian Jews.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBER

**Mr. Etan Slomovic**

## HAKARAT HATOV

**Shlomo Offer** for writing this week's Dvar Torah.

## THIS SHABBAT WE WELCOME

### Shabbat Afternoon:

#### 4:00pm: Women's Tefillah Group

Join us for a conversation with Sarah Robinson, LCSW and Sara Nash, MD on "Spirituality, Burnout, and Spiritual Burnout: Making Meaningful Connections amidst Life's Challenges." We will explore these concept and their effects on the different dimensions of our lives.

Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

#### 4:50pm: Mincha/Seudah Shlishit. Dvar Torah given by **Barbara Ribakove** on "Ethiopian Jewry in 2019 - Why They Still Need Us"

Barbara Ribakove went to Ethiopia in 1981 with the first American mission to Ethiopian Jews, and in 1982, the North American Conference on Ethiopian Jewry was born, with four mandates: to help Jews survive in Ethiopia, to help them reach Israel, to aid in the absorption of Ethiopian Jews into Israeli society and to help preserve their unique and ancient culture. In the 1980's Barbara led 18 missions into Jewish villages, bringing doctors, clothing, supplies, etc. NACOEJ provided food, education, employment and religious facilities to thousands of Jews in Ethiopia in the 90's through 2011. In Israel since 1983, NACOEJ provides educational programs for Ethiopian- Israelis from elementary school through college. Formerly a journalist, Barbara holds a B.A. from the University of Wisconsin. She has a son, daughter-in-law, and three step-grandchildren.



## SUNDAY

**LSS Presents Lelamed: A New Women's Torah Leadership Initiative: 10:00am** Location: Rm 206/207

**Torah Education & Morality: Are We Succeeding?: 10:00am** Join LSS with The Institute for Jewish Ideas and Ideals for an exciting panel discussion.

## REFUAH SHLEIMA

Our beloved Chaz, Chazzan Sherwood Goffin, **Shimon ben Yehudis**

Cards of encouragement and support can be dropped off or sent to the shul office and we will pass them along to the Chaz.

## MAZAL TOV

Grandparents **Judith Weil and Lloyd Epstein** on the birth of a son, Mordechai, to their children, Yoel and Nomi.

## The LSS Mishloach Manot Campaign

### Order yours today!

Register at  
[www.lss.org/campaign/purim2019](http://www.lss.org/campaign/purim2019)

\$8 per family  
(6 family minimum, \$48)

\$360 (maximum cost)

**Deadline to order:**  
**Sunday, March 17**



### Sunday, March 17: Purim Carnival

1:00pm-4:00pm

Join us for a fun, festive, activity filled day!

Sponsors needed and encouraged. Please note sponsorships are tax deductible. Please email [youth@lss.org](mailto:youth@lss.org)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Shabbat, February 23: Intermediate Explanatory Service: 9:30am

LSS and Kol HaNeshamah present a Shabbat Morning Intermediate Explanatory Service with Mo Kiss, Rabbanit Adena Berkowitz and Rabbi Shaul Robinson. Join us for a Shabbat morning service including Torah Reading, at a pace you can follow, and explanations of the meaning and origins of the prayers, discussion of the Torah reading, Q & A session and much more! The event is free. To help us anticipate the number of guests, please register at [www.lss.org/event/kolhaneshamah](http://www.lss.org/event/kolhaneshamah).  
Location: Pre function room

### Saturday, February 23: LSS Film Club Presents: Who Will Write Our

**History: 8:00pm** The story of a clandestine group of journalists, scholars and community leaders in the Warsaw Ghetto—led by Emanuel Ringelblum and known by the code name Oyneg Shabes—who were determined to document their lives and culture for future generations. Cost: \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Please register at [www.lss.org/event/whowillwriteourhistory](http://www.lss.org/event/whowillwriteourhistory).

### Tuesday, February 26: LSS Presents LeLamed: A New Women's Torah

**Leadership Initiative: 8:00pm** Learn the practical skills to become leaders and educators within our shul community. Please register at [www.lss.org/event/lelamed](http://www.lss.org/event/lelamed). Location: Rm 206/207

### Friday, March 1: Shabbat Across America: 6:45pm

Featuring Holocaust Survivor, Dasha Rittenberg who will speak about "Shabbat Before, During, and After the Holocaust." Cost: \$45 per person, \$25 per child. To register, please visit [www.lss.org/beginners](http://www.lss.org/beginners). To be a host, please email [bendheimd@gmail.com](mailto:bendheimd@gmail.com).

## WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

### Sunday:

- **Sunday Morning Responsa** with Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld; Takes place after the 2nd Minyan Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.

### Monday:

- **Chug Ivrit** given by Hai Piazesky and Dan Munk. 7:00pm-8:15pm. In this class, we read articles from the Israeli press, watch videos of news stories, documentaries and comedy clips, listen to (and sing along!) to Israeli songs and chat in Ivrit. Location: Rm 207
- **My Fire: The Spiritual Genius of Rebbe Nachman** led by Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld: 8:00pm-9:00pm. After his return from the Holy Land, Rebbe Nachman's springs of Torah wisdom began to overflow. Through excursions into his central ideas and teachings, we will both discover his unique genius and why it matters for improving our own spiritual lives and deepening a connection to God. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

### Tuesday:

- **The Marilyn & Sam Isler, "Studies in the weekly Parsha"** led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 10:30am– 11:30am. Location: Rm LL201
- **Introduction to Bible: The 10 Commandments with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald: 6:30—8:00pm:** Cost: \$90, Free to LSS Members. To register, please call 212-874-6100 or register online at [www.lss.org/beginners](http://www.lss.org/beginners).
- **Beit Midrash night, The M'lachim (Kings) Study Group** led by Ron Platzer: 7:00pm-8:00pm. M'lachim, the Book of Kings - the death of David, the magnificent reign of Solomon and his fall, the split kingdom, the dramatic tales of Elijah and Elisha, and so much more. Join our lively weekly study/discussion group as we analyze, pasuk by pasuk, these exciting Biblical narratives. Location: Rm 211
- **Community Kollel** organized by Rabbinic Intern and Teen Director, Zac Schwartz: 7:30-9:30pm. To register please click on the link in the Echod electronic version or email [teens@lss.org](mailto:teens@lss.org). Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

### Wednesday:

- **Beit Midrash night: The Subversive Religious Poetry of Yehuda Amichai** given by Sara Brzowsky: 7:30pm-8:30pm. Location: Rm 207

### Thursday:

- **Women's Talk Time:** led by School Psychologist Ruth Moser Riemer: 11:30am-12:30pm. Last Week's Topic: Judging Your Fellow Jew Location: Rm LL201.
- **The Jacob Adler Parsha Class:** Explorations in the Weekly Parsha with Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 7:00pm–8:00pm. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

LSS FILM CLUB PRESENTS



**SHABBAT  
SHALOM  
FROM LSS**

**HOSPITALITY NEEDS:** Please host our Rabbinic Intern and Community Educator for Shabbat meals and /or lodging.

Please email [hospitality@lss.org](mailto:hospitality@lss.org) with the subject line "Intern" and your availability to meet our current needs.

**LSS Teen Directors and Rabbinic Intern, Zac & Rachel Schwartz** are in need of meals and lodging on Feb. 15-16 and March 1-2.

**Community Educator, Zissy Turner** and her husband, Sam, are in need of meals on March 8-9.

Weekly	Prayer Schedule: February 10					
Day	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Daf Yomi	7:45am	6:15am	6:20am	6:20am	6:15am	6:20am
Shacharit	7:10am, 8:30am	7:00am, 7:50am	7:10am, 7:50am	7:10am, 7:50am	7:00am, 7:50am	7:10am, 7:50am
Mincha/Maariv	5:15pm	5:15pm	5:15pm	5:15pm	5:20pm	5:15pm

## YOUTH DEPARTMENT

**זרעים** Seedlings (2 years old) Room 210  
**שורשים** Roots (3-4 years old) Room 211  
**ניצנים** Buds (K-1st) Room 208  
**פרחים** Flowers (2nd-7th) Room 206  
**ענפים** Branches (2nd-7th) Room 207



### Shabbat schedule:

10:00 am Drop Off (Rooms 206-211)  
 10:45 am Davening, Circle Time, and Healthy Kiddush (Rooms 206-211)  
 11:00 am Parsha & Candy: The Mishkan (Rooms 210-211)  
 11:10 am Recreation, Games, and Rehydration (Room 206-207)  
 11:45 am Groups End

### Dvar Torah

In this week's *Parshat Terumah*, *Bnei Yisrael* are given the commandment to build the *Mishkan*, a portable dwelling place for *Hashem* and a place for *Bnei Yisrael* to participate in special rituals with *Hashem*. The reason the *Mishkan* needed to be portable was because *Bnei Yisrael* never knew how long they would be in one place, sometimes it was one year and other times it was a few days. Hashem proceeded to detail to Moshe the different components of the *Mishkan*, and how each should be constructed. A *machloket* is brought up at this point between Rambam and Ramban. Is the commandment to build the *Mishkan* a single *mitzvah*? Or is it many *mitzvot* all together? Many believe that it was one single *mitzvah* that grouped together all the different items like the Menorah and the *Mizbeyach* and others think that each different part was its own separate *mitzvah*.

When *Hashem* commands Moshe to build the *Mishkan*, he uses the words "I will dwell in them." But wouldn't it make more sense to say "I will dwell in it"? The answer is that *Hashem* meant "them" to mean us as *Bnei Yisrael*. We should each build a *Mishkan* inside our hearts where *Hashem* can dwell.

### After Shul Ask Your Children:

- Why did the *Mishkan* need to be portable?
- Who financed the *Mishkan*?
- What is the argument between Rambam and Ramban about the *mitzvah* of the *Mishkan*?

Answers:  
 A. Because *Bnei Yisrael* never knew how long they would stay in one place.  
 B. *Bnei Yisrael* donated gold and silver to build the *Mishkan*.  
 C. They debate whether the *Mishkan* is a single *mitzvah* or many *mitzvot*.



Shabbat Shalom, Ariella & Mendel



### BABY & ME RECAP

This past week we had such a fun time welcoming Shabbat in Baby & Me. We sang some of our favorite songs, and rocked our best dance moves! The babes made chicken soup for Shabbat, rolled the Challah dough and heard from our special friend the *Dinosaur Knocking on our door*. We finished with a fun story, *Dinosaur goes to Israel*, a PJ Library book all about travels in Israel and the interesting historical sights there.

### PURIM CARNIVAL



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Join us for a fun, festive, activity filled day!

1:00pm-4:00pm



LSS Youth proudly offers fun and educational programming to children every Shabbat and holiday throughout the year. The annual Purim Carnival is the most critical fundraiser for the Youth Department to defray the costs of staffing and events, and we can't do it without you. Please consider sponsoring generously by contacting [youth@lss.org](mailto:youth@lss.org).

### Sponsorship Levels:

- \$180 - Matanot Le'evyonim
- \$500 - Seudat Hamentashen
- \$1,000 - Megilla
- \$5,000 - Mordechai
- \$10,000 - Queen Esther



## G-d is in the Details; Balancing the Spiritual and Artistic Visions of the Mishkan

*Teruma* (lit. raising up) is about the two kinds of vision that must be brought into balance for us to raise up our gifts of acquired wealth and native skill and contribute them to the service of spiritual goals. The human eye needs light and dark; it cannot see a form without contrast. Artists know this. Architects know this. The shadows are critical. Likewise, to perceive the form (*tavnit hamishkan*) that G-d intended us to see, we needed the combination of Moshe's vision of the highlights of spiritual values, enabled by Betzalel's vision of the shadows of practical implementation. Betzalel's name literally means "in the shadow of G-d." Cooperating in the physical implementation of the *mishkan* is what transformed a group of escaped slaves into a *kehila*, a viable cohesive community.

Moshe, in spite of his heightened spiritual level, could not simply dictate holiness to *Bnei Yisrael*; after all, they were just recently-released slaves. The spiritual discourse is important, but it cannot be realistically perceived without the shadows, the "facts on the ground" in a physical world, created by a society. How do you get from a vision to a fact on the ground and how does the fact on the ground receive its holiness?

The *mishkan* came into being by a process of Moshe's vision and *Bnei Yisrael's* execution, all through Betzalel's direction. In great detail, G-d described it to Moshe who had the spiritual vision to see it vividly: "*asher ata mareh*" is in the present tense; Moshe was actually seeing it. When Moshe instructed Betzalel, he reversed G-d's order of construction. As Moshe saw it, the ark that contained the Torah, and the *klei kodesh* were first; these holy objects were the reason for the *mishkan*, and not the other way around. But to implement Moshe's vision, Betzalel also saw it vividly; in fact, he saw more sides of it than Moshe saw. He had the G-d-given eyes of an architect who could turn Moshe's depiction back into G-d's originally-dictated sequence. Betzalel absorbed the light of Moshe's spiritual priorities and expressed it with the clarifying shadows of practical physicality through which G-d intended to engage *Bnei Yisrael* to actively create a home for the *Shechinah*. He manifested Torah values in a world in which G-d also gave us the Torah of physics, design esthetics, and societal interaction.

In addition to requesting the physical valuables to be donated, Moshe was influenced by Betzalel to also ask the *kahal* for their gifts of native ability—and only from those sincerely motivated to give for the right reasons, "*asher nesao libo*," whose hearts deeply inspired them. There were no trained artisans among the recently freed slaves. Of course, Egypt would not allow this highly regarded occupation to be held by a Jew. Yet Betzalel and Moshe made it possible for a person's native gifts of commitment and creativity to be raised up to the high spiritual purpose of the *mishkan*. Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks points out that the *shechinah* "lives in the work of our hands—whatever we do in accordance with His will. What made it holy was one thing only: that the Israelites had made it just as the Lord had commanded" (Covenant and Conversation, Vayakhel 2006).

The initiative, cooperation, and creativity required for the *mishkan* are the model for the way we are to create our individual, family, communal, and national lives. In no uncertain terms, G-d let us know that how we physically create and mold ourselves into a coherent *kehila*, and how sincerely we are motivated, are essential to our spiritual attainments. It is not the building and the objects, but the active participation of the people that contains the holiness. "*V'asu li mikdash v'shachanti b'tocham*," Let them make a sanctuary for Me, and I will dwell in them – not "in it" but "in them." Holiness does not remain in the building or objects of the *mishkan*. It is in the *nedivut halev*, the heartfelt and mindful actions of those who create and sustain it.

*Shabbat Shalom.*